

### **In the Abstract**

**Please rewrite the Abstract as follows:**

A porous material ~~1-is provided~~ wherein silicon carbide particles 2-as an aggregate are bonded with one another via silicon nitride 3-as a binder ~~in such a state so that pores 5-are present between the silicon carbide particles-2, wherein no.~~ No columnar silicon nitride (silicon nitride whisker) is formed on the surface of the silicon nitride 3-within each pore-5, ~~or that, even when.~~ Even if silicon nitride whiskers are inevitably formed there, the number of the columnar silicon nitride having a thickness of more than 2  $\mu\text{m}$  and an aspect ratio of less than 10 is greater than that of the columnar silicon nitride having a thickness of 2  $\mu\text{m}$  or less or an aspect ratio of 10 or more. The present invention provides a porous material superior in heat resistance and gas permeability, a method for production thereof, and a honeycomb structure.